

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 through Claim 14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (previously amended) A method of supporting a liquid waste discharge line for evacuating waste from a medical treatment apparatus, said liquid waste discharge line comprising a discharge nozzle with a discharge opening and a tubular connector carried by the discharge nozzle, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a connector member and a suction cup attached to the connector member;

securing one end of the connector member to the tubular connector of the discharge nozzle such that the one end of the connector member frictionally firmly engages within the tubular connector ; and

mounting the suction cup on a rim of a waste receptor such that the discharge opening extends a distance above the waste receptor, thereby supporting the discharge nozzle on the waste receptor and facilitating evacuation of liquid waste from the medical treatment apparatus directly into the waste receptor.

Claim 16 (previously amended) The method of Claim 15, further comprising the steps of providing the connector member with a first portion configured to frictionally engage within the tubular connector, a second portion extending at an angle to the first portion and a third portion attachable to a top of the suction cup.

Claim 17 (original) The method of claim 16, further comprising the step of providing the first portion of a longitudinal dimension sufficient to elevate the discharge opening of the discharge nozzle to a pre-determined distance above a rim of the waste receptor.

Claim 18 (original) The method of Claim 16, further comprising the step of forming the second portion of the connector member of sufficient dimensions at least equal to radial dimension of the suction cup.

Claim 19 (previously added) The method of Claim 15, further comprising the step of providing said suction cup with an enlarged top knob, a dome-shaped cup part and a reduced diameter neck connecting the knob to the cup part, and wherein said hook-shaped attachment member wraps about at least a part of the circumference of the neck portion such that the top knob prevents disengagement of the hook-shaped attachment member from the neck.